



MONTEREY

NEWS

JULY 1987



ARTS COUNCIL ANNUAL FESTIVAL

The Monterey Arts Council will host its fourth annual Festival of the Arts: A Folk Music Celebration, from Friday through Sunday, July 17-19. The Monterey Festival of the Arts has become a traditional focal point for cultural activities in the Monterey area and a joyous occasion to celebrate summer in the Berkshires. This summer's festivities will include a diverse blend of folk music, dancing and refreshments, including an outstanding art exhibition featuring fifty local artists.

The Festival begins on Friday evening, July 17, at the Monterey Firehouse with a gala opening reception of the art exhibition in honor of the participating artists. The exhibition will feature fine arts and crafts ranging from Japanese furniture to lacquerware. Along with delectable refreshments by Michèle Miller of Hidden Valley Ranch, Edward Flower will perform on classical guitar and the Tanglewood Institute will provide string quartets and brass quintets. As an added treat, Gladys Carbo will sing to the accompaniment of Mr. Flower.

On Saturday, July 18, at 10:30 a.m., we get down to a full

day of folk music, foot stomping and good eating in the lush sunken gardens of Rock Ridge Estate overlooking Lake Garfield. Monterey folksinger Anson Olds will begin the festivities with an eclectic arrangement of upbeat folksongs. The Irish Tradition will take the stage at 11 a.m. for a program of traditional Irish ballads and dance tunes. At 12 p.m. Rory Block, a blues guitarist, will perform her powerful blend of blues, gospel and folk sounds. At 1 p.m., Michèle Miller will serve a choice assortment of her country cooking specialties. Continuing the program at 2 p.m., internationally acclaimed balladeer Bill Crofut will present a concert of jigs, reels, ragtime, blues, and songs of the mountains and plains. We will conclude the program at 3 p.m. with The Mountain Laurel Band, who will lead the audience in spirited square dancing.

The art exhibition is open to the public on Saturday from 10-5 p.m. and Sunday from 11-4 at the Monterey Firehouse. Tickets for both Friday evening's gala at the Firehouse and Saturday's event at Rock Ridge Estate are \$10 inclusive. Senior citizens' and children's tickets are half price. For further information and tickets please contact Michael Marcus at 528-4115, Frank D'Amato at 528-3723 or Leonard Weber at 528-1806.



SUSAN McALLESTER

THE CRICKET

Some day . . .

*I may ask her in
and we will sit there chirping
to one another . . .
trying to figure out those things
that never get explained at all.*

*Then she will bring me luck I expect
like those in the boxes of China
or those who race in contests
or the holy ones that bless
the houses of Koreans . . .*

*She can scarcely do less
If I ask her to stay awhile
I who detest like the plague —
All insects.*

— Sue Moody

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sundays: 9:15-10:15 Focus on Church Life
10:30-11:30 Morning Worship

Tuesday, July 7: Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m. at the parsonage.
Wednesday, July 1: First Wednesday of the Month Agape Meal, 6:30-8:00 Potluck. Fellowship, singing. Soups, breads/crackers, cheese.

Thursday all through July: 8 a.m. at the Church. Meditation led by David Bach. All welcome.

SPECIAL EVENT: Saturday, July 11, at the Church, from 10:30-3:00. FOCUS ON CHURCH LIFE with the Rev. Tom Boates, Church Management Consultant. Bring bag lunch. See details below.

Friday, July 10: FOOD SALE at Church. Begins at 10:00 a.m. Contact Mary Ward for details (528-9243).

Deacons Meeting: Friday, July 10, 8:30 a.m., at the parsonage.
Parish Council, Monday, July 13, 7:30 p.m. at the parsonage.

FOCUS ON CHURCH LIFE: If you are a church member and/or interested in the vitality of our church, set aside Saturday, July 11, from 10:30-3:00 and come to the church to look at our life together with the help of a skilled consultant. Tom Boates, consultant, received training specifically to serve churches facing change. He studied with sociologist Herb Stotts at Boston University School of Theology. Ordained in the United Church of Christ, Tom has served churches in Haverhill and New Bedford, MA; was the Area Conference Minister for the METRO-NYC Association, U.C.C.; and served as consultant for churches in Worcester, Gardner, Quincy, East Longmeadow.

Tom identifies the following goals:

- To help churches understand who they are, where they have been and where they are going.
- To help churches identify their immediate and long-range objectives.
- To assist churches in locating and developing resources, both human and financial.

Robert Palin is enlisting Conference support in covering the cost of this consultation. We began the valuable process of facing change at the Church's RETREAT in Stockbridge on June 6. We are an exciting mix of human beings offering the tremendous potential of modeling a diverse church community that works effectively together, rejoicing in our common spirit as in our distinct differences. This time of focus on church life puts our commitment to God and each other on the line. Now's the time to show up for this event, to listen to each other and to speak our truths.

MONTEREY CHAMBER MUSIC SERIES. Members of the community and the church met on June 7 and embraced the plan to initiate a Concert Series featuring first-rate ensembles here in Monterey. This enterprise is exhilarating and demanding. Edgar Feldman, a successful New York City impresario of chamber music concerts in the Berkshires, will provide us talented musicians, and we need to provide publicity, refreshments, hospitality for the performers. When you are contacted to lend a hand, please find a way to participate in this musical adventure.

— Robert Palin



HYDROGEN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

From June 9 to 11 John A. Owen attended a sponsors and research priorities meeting at the Hydrogen Research Center, Department of Chemistry, Texas A & M University at the request of Distinguished Professor John O'M. Bockris, Director.

The meeting was prompted by intensifying hydrogen research in Canada, West Germany, the Netherlands, Sweden, Brazil and Japan, since these countries have recognized that hydrogen fuel and hydrogen-oxygen fuel cells can provide near-term answers for clean energy and minimal pollution needs.

In the U. S. A., two new hydrogen bills are now in Congress to establish an urgent national effort to advance the use of hydrogen and to accelerate the commercialization of fuel cells, one of the new bills under NASA deals specifically with hydrogen fueled aircraft R & D.

John expects to continue his research in solar-assisted hydrogen production, and he was recently appointed as the Pacific Northwest correspondent for *The Hydrogen Letter*, an international publication. One highlight of the meeting was testing a hydrogen-powered 1982 Chrysler that will soon have a fuel cell to power electric rear-drive motors while retaining the hydrogen system for continuing highway tests.

The successful meeting was attended by fifteen research persons from the Center and twenty-two guests from hydrogen research facilities in the USA and Canada.

LAND PRESERVATION TRUST

There are two parcels of land left to tell you about, out of four donated to the Land Trust at the end of last year. They lie in different corners of the same neighborhood.

Head south from Walsh's on New Marlborough Road, and it takes you right into a dip, over a hump and down a hill through a hollow where a stream crosses and cattails grow. Then it winds uphill to a ridge where Wellman Road branches off to the west, less than a mile from Route 23. The foot of Hall's Hill is on the left here. Houses east of the road sit well above it, some hidden at the high end of drives going up into the woods.

Wellman Road eases downhill to a short stretch where sugar maples along both sides touch overhead, then it levels out through open, active farmland. Fiddletop, a commanding mansion built early in this century, sits well back from the road, up high with wide views, and further along two old farmhouses with classic New England features face each other across the road.

There isn't one among us wanting a place in the country who wouldn't love to build his or her dream house in just such a setting. The familiar bind is that the more who do, the less the setting will have that fine balance of open farmland, woods, hills and homes that makes it so comfortable. No doubt the building trend will continue, but at least one prominent corner will remain open. Lew and Joyce Scheffey gave the Land Trust a small lot (2.8 A) on the southern corner of Wellman and New Marlborough Roads. A new house here could easily dominate the scene and tip the present balance. Setting aside a pivotal spot like this reflects the Scheffseys' clear appreciation of what we have now.

Follow the New Marlborough Road further down the hill to Lowland Farm, then take a sharp right at the farm onto Gould Road. Cross the Steep Hill Bridge, and up top on the other side lies the last of the four parcels donated to the Land Trust. It was the gift of Bob Thieriot, and it fronts on the east side of Gould Road, sloping down to Rawson Brook before it levels out in a wetland through which the brook runs. The land totals about 30 acres and grows mixed hardwoods, hemlock and pine, but no houses. There's room enough for four, and unsettled woods in the back parts of town have provided sites for plenty of new construction in recent years, but now we have a place where anyone can walk along the brook, but no one can live there. This too helps the balance.

Land Trust activity isn't limited to receiving generous gifts. Housing costs have risen so fast that affordable year-round housing has become an issue, and the proposed Real Estate Transfer Tax may soon provide funds enabling towns to acquire land for open space, recreation, and housing. The Open Space Committee continues to work on filing a plan for the Town with the state. Look for information about these issues and projects in future issues of the *News*.

Correction: Turns out Joe Friday got a few facts wrong in the April *News*. Maryellen Brown tells me that only Gould Farm contributes to the Town in lieu of taxes, not "many of the private tax-exempt organizations," as I had it. (Maybe now others will follow the Farm's example?) Tom O'Brien, a forester at Beartown, noted that more of Monterey than I

thought is state forest. It's not 10%, but over 20% of the Town's area, or about 5,000 acres. I'm glad we have every square inch.

— Peter Murkett

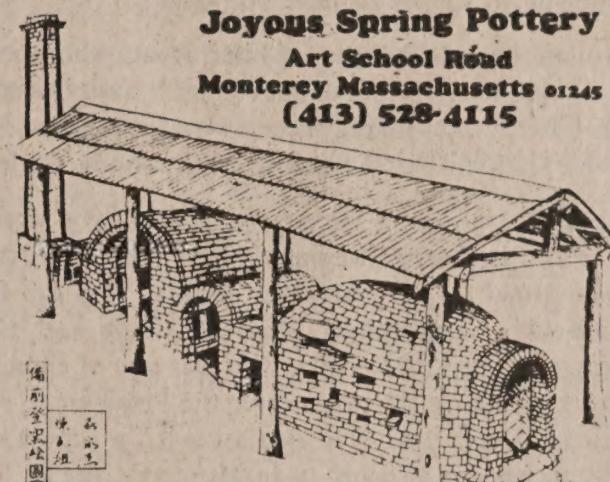
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PERSONAL NOTES

Hearty congratulations to Neil Orenstein and Sarah Bingham, who were recently married and enjoyed a wonderful week of celebration and relaxation on Martha's Vineyard. We wish you both many celebrations to come!

Gordon and Jane Bowles of Wallace Hall Road recently enjoyed a trip to Kansas, Nebraska, and, not wishing to be too specific, Gordon says, "you name it, we were all over the place." Well, welcome back to Monterey.

Rodney and Jeri Palmer of Main Road enjoyed a five-day fishing excursion on Lake Champlain, even though they weren't that successful (a 3½-pound lake trout, though), and encountered rough seas. Better luck next time!

Welcome back to John, Anne Marie and Shaen O'Connor, who have just returned to their Lake Garfield home from Jupiter, Florida. It's great to have you back!

Congratulations to Lois Ryder of Main Road, who recently received an award of excellence of \$50 for her "Pansies" scratch-board, exhibited at the opening of the 13th annual juried exhibition of the Sheffield Art League at Westenhook Gallery.

Hearty congratulations to Monterey graduates who received diplomas from Mt. Everett Regional High School on June 6 at ceremonies held at Tanglewood in Lenox. They are **Glen Amstead, Becky Eisenbrandt, Michelle Grotz and Scott Ryder**. Congrats also to Michelle, who was one of eight students in the graduating class to receive the Presidential Academic Fitness Award and was also awarded a scholarship very special to her and to all of us in Monterey, the B. Terry Fenn Memorial. The best of luck to all our Monterey graduates!

Congratulations also to James Makuc, son of Henry and Anne Marie Makuc of Main Road, who received a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering from Cornell University. Hats off and best of luck to you, Jim!

And, lest we not include *all* of Monterey's talent, we hear even the local dogs are racking up awards. **Mister Sister**, border collie owned by Maggie Lipsky, received the first-place ribbon, and **Abeline Jet**, border collie owned by Ann McGinley, received the second-place ribbon as they graduated from dog obedience classes in Great Barrington.

A very special Happy Birthday wish to A. Wallace Tryon on May 31. And Happy Anniversary to Steve and Peggy Small, June 20.

Any little news? Please jot it down and leave it at the General Store or drop it in the mail, just Route 23, or give me a call, 528-4519. Appreciate it!

— Stephanie Grotz



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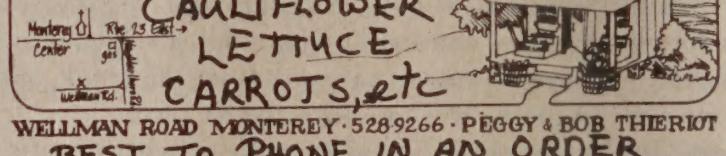
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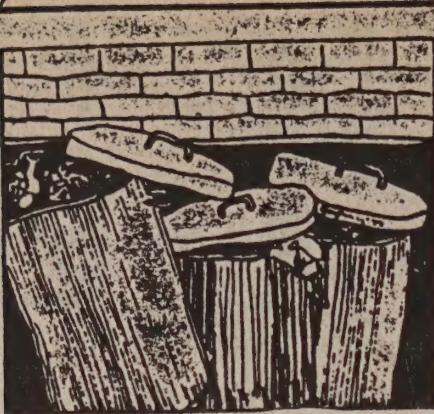
Names

It is difficult to recapture the meanings of the Native American names found in the Colonial Records in New England. The languages are not well known in the first place, many of them having become virtually extinct a hundred or more years ago. And there are other complications: personal names seem to have involved special vocabulary and archaic usages that would be hard to understand even if there were living speakers of Mahican, for instance, in Monterey today.

Spellings in Colonial times were individualistic at best and, when it came to rendering Indian names, were almost as varied as the number of people who tried to write the name down. Pophnehonmukwok, one of the names of our well-known Mahican chief, Konkapot, has so many recorded spellings that it requires an entire index card in the Massachusetts State Archive in Boston to list them all. The many spellings of Mahican are another case in point. A few examples are: Muhheakunnuck, Muhheakunneuw, Muhhekunneyuk, Mahikanders, Maikans, Mhikana, Nnikana, Hikanagi, Maingan, or Mahiganioetch. To cap it all off, the descendants of the Mahicans, now living in Wisconsin, referred to themselves as the Wampan'kiak, ("people from the east"), a version of the general term, Wampanoag, by which the Indians of eastern Massachusetts are known.

Even if we could arrive at a "translation," a further difficulty in the way of understanding would be our lack of information on why that particular name was given. A frequent source of non-Indian American humor is to cite some fanciful, hyphenated "Indian" name that does not seem to make any sense, or does make sense in a ludicrous way. Often these are made up of whole cloth, without any reference to real Indian names. And, of course, a real Indian name in translation may seem amusing, taken out of its cultural context, though the humor is actually based on the ignorance of the jokester.

Sometimes a personal name might be the traditional property of a particular family or clan, simply conferred on an infant so that the name will be continued, much as in our own naming customs. Or a name might be replaced by a new one at any point in the life of an individual in recognition of some personal characteristic or achievement. Other possible sources of a name might be a sacred vision that had come to one of the parents, or later in life to the person concerned. Or names might refer to a time of day or a season of the year when a child was born.



MONTEREY WASTELINES

User Fees Begin July 1 for Monterey Solid Waste

Now is the time for all Monterey residents who deliver their own garbage to apply for a new "dump sticker." Application forms were ready at the Town Offices at press time, and numbered stickers should be available now. If, for some very good reason, you were prevented from getting a sticker before the magic date of July 1, don't panic. Monterey is a community, not a gulag—I'm confident that the attendant and the Town officials will be understanding and helpful in the first, difficult days of the transition.

Those of you who have a solid waste ("garbage") pickup service at your home or business will not have to apply for stickers. Just sit tight, and act normal. But you should expect a fee increase. Please do not impugn the motives of your solid waste hauler. Mallory and Roger (the main haulers active in Monterey) have been very cooperative and helpful in the decisions about the user fee system we're adopting. Your garbage bill *increase* to take care of the Town fees should be in the range of \$3.00 per month for an average household.

Here are this year's fee categories—they are explained more fully on the sticker application forms which are available at the Monterey Town Offices.

| | |
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| Single family residence | \$ 35.00 |
| Small business | 70.00 |
| Store, restaurant or other larger business | 300.00 |
| Multi-unit residences each family, with kitchen | 35.00 |
| each single, no kitchen | 10.00 |
| Commercial haulers (per cmpt. yd) | 6.00 |
| Extra or reissued sticker | 10.00 |

Remember, the fee will defray only about 20% of total solid waste costs—the remaining costs will be paid from Town General Funds. Wise use of the facilities provided by the Town will result in the best possible prices in the future.

Berkshire Clean-Way, Inc., is the contractor who is providing waste handling service for the Town of Monterey. Berkshire Clean-Way will have two large bins available (same as currently) for scrap metal and for wood- and brush-type debris. *But* you will now have to pay Berkshire Clean-Way for the wastes which go into those bins. The attendant will tell you the charges for refrigerators, sticks or other lovely things you might want to deposit in the bins. Once more, your sticker covers only normal waste which goes into the compactor.

Other items are subject to a fee paid to the attendant, who represents Berkshire Clean-Way.

If you have further questions or problems with the sticker/solid waste procedures let me know, or talk to one of your selectmen. Next month we'll also introduce the newly appointed/reappointed Solid Waste Committee members, and reveal their hiding places in the hills.

Please have a tidy July.

— Wayne Burkhart

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MONTEREY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

As early as 1750 provision was made for a burial ground in what is now known as Monterey. It is Woods Cemetery on Beartown Road, with stones from that time. Later four others were formed as the population grew. With a little study of the stones, the history of entire families can be noted, and dates of epidemics and severe weather conditions are easily detected.

Cynthia Tryon Hoogs, the daughter of Barbara and Richard Tryon, has made an inventory of the old burial grounds. She has slides showing the artwork and inscriptions on many of the interesting stones, which she showed to members of the Monterey Historical Society at a meeting on June 26.

— Sally Fijux

MONTEREY GRANGE NEWS

Monterey Grange No. 291 met June 3, 1987, for election of officers, all of whom were re-elected. The recent food sale at K-Mart was a success; the Grange wants to thank all who helped make it go so well. The Grange met at the Lecturer's house on June 10 and went on a Mystery Ride, which turned out to be to Heart of the Berkshires Grange, No. 418, who were observing their forty-sixth anniversary. The recent fund raiser in charge of the Youth Committee was a huge success, and the Youth and Grange members want to thank all who helped. The Youth Committee will also be in charge of the flea market, with space to rent in July.

The next meeting will be Youth Night, July 15. The Youth will conduct the meeting, furnish the program and be in charge of a fund raiser for youth projects.

— Mary Wallace
Lecturer

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UPON MY WORD!

Another Scots treat from Chambers' dictionary.

Heaven forbid you should be in your kitchen and hear a *sod!* It might be a "sudden and singular sound made in a pot or a pan while used in cooking, regarded as a portent of death."

In that case you should quickly call for some *unspoken water*, which, in my opinion, has one of the most poetic definitions ever to be found in a dictionary. It is "water from under a bridge, over which the living pass and the dead are carried, brought in the dawn or twilight to the house of a sick person, without the bearer's speaking either in going or returning; used in various ways as a most powerful charm by the superstitious for healing the sick."

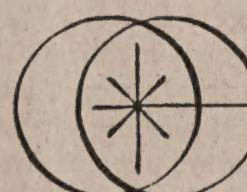
Slainte mhath! (pronounced slahntye vah!), which is Gaelic for "Your good health!"

— A. O. Howell

WELCOME TO A SISTER PUBLICATION

The Sandisfield Newsletter came into being in May under the editorship of John Brock, Candace O'Brien and Roberta Myers. It is intended to be a "brief monthly publication giving a town calendar of events and news of town boards and groups." It is being sent free of charge to anyone who requests it, welcomes contributions to keep it going, and is determined not to operate with town funding even though it was authorized by the Selectmen.

For this welcome opportunity to keep up with the doings in our neighboring town (which once extended to the eastern shore of Lake Garfield) write to *The Sandisfield Newsletter*, c/o Candace A. O'Brien, Sandisfield, MA 01255. Business sponsors may obtain a listing on the back page at \$5.00 an issue or \$50.00 a year.



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THE SUMMER HOPPERS: TRUE BUGS

The new summer is here, bringing long hot days of sun, spells of damp gray skies against the green, and everywhere the drone of lawnmowers. Where the mowers don't reach, the grasses and weeds grow rich and rank, teeming with the fantastic fast lives of our summer insect populations. Walk through any weedy meadow this week and you will be rewarded with the beauty of hawkweed, bladder campion, various blooming vetches, brown-eyed susans, purple clover, daisies, and the fresh and shining buttercups. You will also be amazed by bugs.

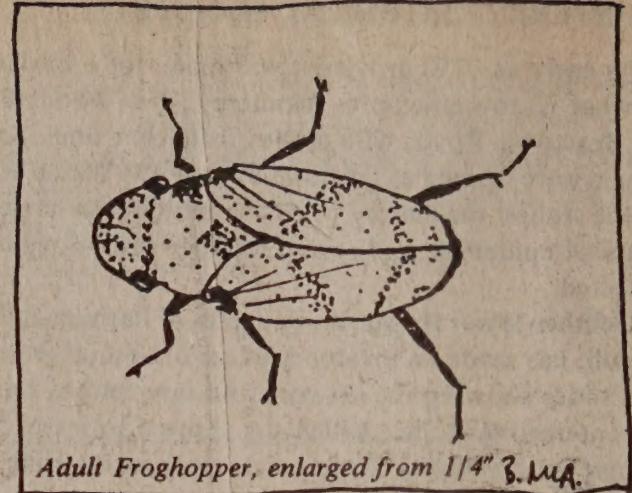
Most people classify all insects, all crawlly things, and even certain of their friends and relations as "bugs." I've heard worms and crayfish referred to as bugs, also moths, bats, and hummingbirds. "Bug" is a friendly little word, easy to spell and tempting to apply, like "hug" and "snug." But to the scientist, or even the student of meadow life in June, it means specifically certain small insects belonging to the groups *Hemiptera* and *Homoptera*. These groups, which sound a bit like Tweedledee and Tweedledum, are actually fairly similar. Both are considered to be "true bugs," and in both groups the mouthparts are adapted for piercing and sucking.

For the most part the true bugs pierce plants and suck plant juices, but there are a few, such as the giant water bug and water skaters, which live on the juice of other insects and small fish. The Hemipteran bugs have two pairs of wings, one of which is sort of divided into two different halves, a stout front part and a softer, membranous hind part. Hence the name *Hemi* (half) *ptera* (wing). The *Homoptera* have homogeneous pairs of wings.

The *Homoptera* of our short, busy summer in overgrown meadows include the large cicadas, tiny aphids, and three different groups of hoppers about $1/8$ inch to $1/4$ inch long.

The treehoppers and leafhoppers are striking looking, though small. Most species of treehoppers have an enlarged prothorax which gives them a hump like a miniature buffalo, and in some species this hump is further developed into a high, forward-arching hook which extends out over the head. Leafhoppers have a flatter profile but are often decorated with bright stripes or other patterns against a dark background, one common variety being reddish-pink against bright green.

The third group of hoppers is the froghoppers, and the adults are quite modest-looking, usually gray or brown and slightly bulging at the head end, making them look, to some people, a little like frogs. They live on grass stems, especially, sucking out juice with their paired, grooved, needle-like mouthparts. (There are also at least two species which live on pine trees.) The sweet juice passes so quickly through their digestive systems that it comes squirting out the anus still sweet and attractive to other insects. Anyone who has supported aphids on a houseplant near a window has probably noticed droplets of clear, sticky liquid on the nearby windowpane. This is "honeydew," excreted by the aphids and actually shot out of their anuses over some distance. One spring we had an early-emerged mud-dauber wasp in the house making the rounds of our sweet sticky windowpanes, licking up plant sugar.

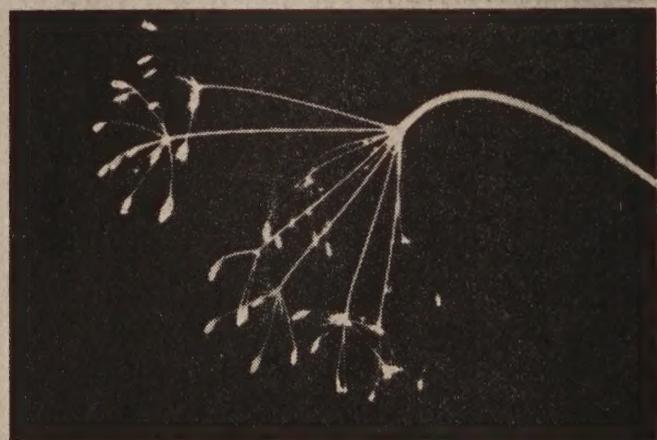


As you walk through the delirious wildflower displays you might not notice the little froghoppers, especially with gaudier leaf- and treehoppers bouncing all around your knees. But you will probably notice the earlier "adolescent" stage of the froghoppers. These are the spittle bugs, spitbugs, or cuckoo spittle bugs, and they are the nymphs of the froghoppers. The nymphs feed in the same way as the adults, but they cling upside down to stems as they suck the juice and excrete honeydew. The honeydew flows down over their abdomens and a second substance is added from some specialized glands. Finally this mixture is whipped up into a bubbly mass as air is blown into it through valves on the insect's body. The result is a blob of tiny white bubbles, sticky enough to hold together on a grass stem or in the fork of a wildflower.

The froghopper nymphs are even more wide-eyed and vulnerable-looking than the adults, and their spittle protects them during a hazardous period of their lives. For one thing, they have soft fragile bodies and skins and need to avoid drying out. They also are protected from some predators by hiding inside their frothy but ill-tasting (to the predators) blankets.

The spitbugs keep on eating and growing and undergo several molts as they exchange their old skins for new larger ones. Finally they emerge as adults, slightly tougher and ready to hop around outside their former foam homes. Depending upon the species and the location, there may be as many as three generations of froghoppers in one summer. The last eggs laid in the fall winter over and then hatch in the early spring of the next year to make the first crop of spitbugs as the weather warms up for another short busy season of the true bugs.

— Bonner J. McAllester



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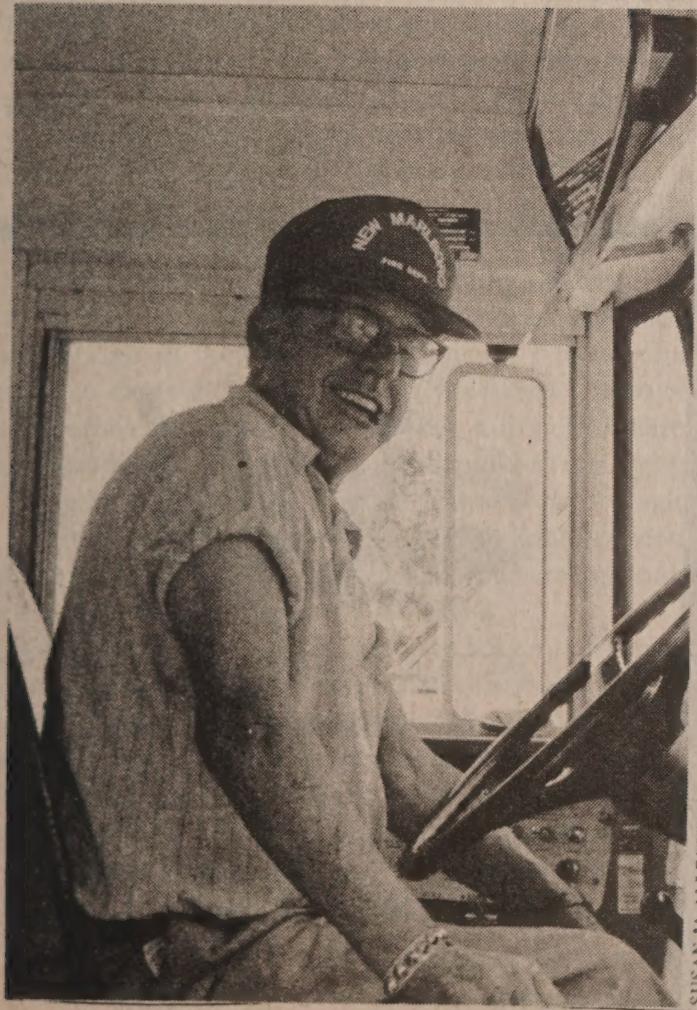
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future ground.
Simple times I seek.*

*Present bound,
spirit drowned.
Here I feel so weak.*

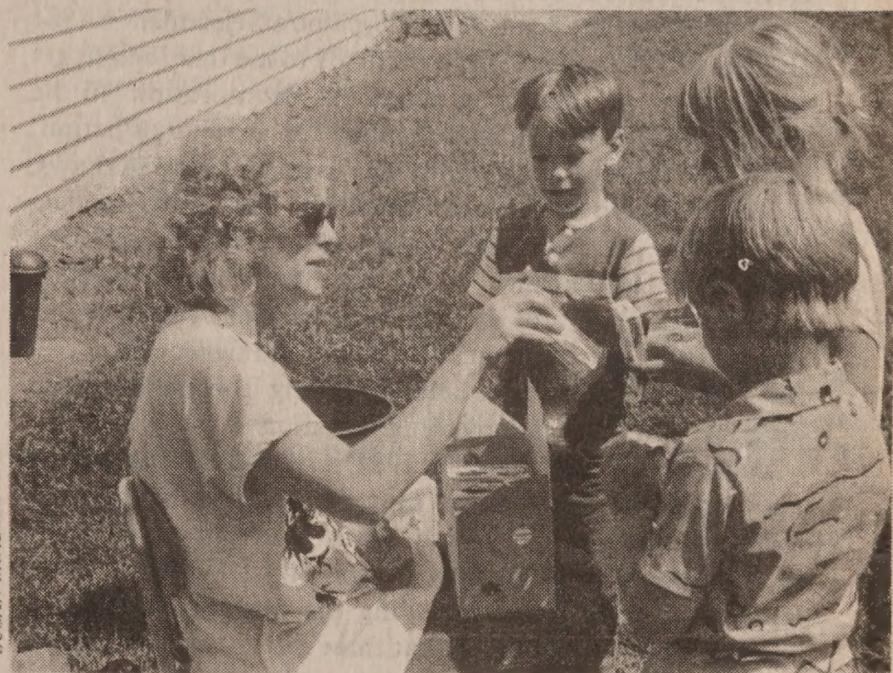
— Tim Keefe



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SUSAN McALLESTER



Susan Andersen, the kindergarten teacher, gives ice cream sandwiches, end-of-year gifts from the PTA, to Robbie Carter, Maryellen Markham, and Andy Cook.

TO A TODDLER

*Dear little toddler busy at your play
In this, the happy springtime of your life,
May you soon learn of nature and her ways,
To know and love each bird and tree and flower,
The rainbow's beauty arched across the sky,
And tiny fireflies dancing in the night;
To know the woodland creatures by their names
And recognize them when you hear them call.*

— Eleanor Kimberley

Steve Ball brings the last school bus to the general store on the last day of school

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

Mr. Glenn Heller, in handbills, letters and other statements, may have created the impression that Jed Lipsky virtually by himself decided on repairing and improving the western stretch of Mt. Hunger Road. Since ours is a three-man Board, it takes at least two Selectmen to make a decision. Apparently Mr. Heller does not know this. I voted "yes" on the motion to do the work on the Mt. Hunger Road, both as a member of the Roads and Machinery Committee and as a Selectman. Jed Lipsky did not vote at all. Mr. Heller, in his research on the Mt. Hunger Road, never asked me about my role in it or about any other aspect of it. His research was incomplete; his statements have very often contained more fiction than facts.

At least half the responsibility for the work on the Mt. Hunger Road should rest on me. I had formed strong opinions about it long before the Roads and Machinery Committee voted on it and also long before Jed Lipsky bought his property there. In the last 25 years I have walked Mt. Hunger Road from end to end at least once a year. I also bicycled its whole length from east to west several times years ago before it became impossible to do so. (I plan to try it again this summer.) Over the years, I noticed the gradual deterioration of the western part of the road. After I became a Selectman in 1981 and learned the ropes a bit, it occurred to me that I might get a chance to do something about this deterioration. In the spring of 1984 Judith Bach applied for a building permit. Her road frontage, required by the Town's Zoning By-Laws, is on the western Mt. Hunger Road. The date on the application is April 30, 1984, but I think I heard of her intention to build at an earlier date. In my mind there was a question whether the road still met the definition of "Road" in the Zoning By-Laws. I concluded it still did and signed the permit. But I also concluded that before too long it would be a road on paper only unless something was done.

During the day of May 28, 1984, it started raining and did not stop until 10:30 a.m. on May 31. At times the rain was torrential. (The level of Lake Garfield rose four inches in less than 24 hours between May 29 and 30.) I looked at flood damage all over town, including the western part of Mt. Hunger Road. I concluded that three days of rains had done more damage on the steep slope there than all the deterioration I had observed previously in the course of some twenty years. I was told that the flood of 1955 also did very heavy damage which, however, had been repaired by the time I first saw Mt. Hunger Road in 1959. I concluded that Mt. Hunger Road should be repaired in such a way as to minimize the possibility of future damage from floods, but that this should receive a very low priority in fiscal 1984-85 because there were more urgent repairs and reconstructions to be done in other parts of town. So I made no proposals about Mt. Hunger Road, and neither did anyone else. If I had proposed work on western Mt. Hunger Road at that time, I think everybody, including Jed Lipsky, would have been against it.

About five months later, under date of November 7, 1984, the then chairman of the Board of Assessors wrote a memo to the Selectmen expressing the hope that they could "work into [their] schedule of road maintenance and upgrading additional time on Mt. Hunger Road." This memo reinforced my resolve

to push for the work on Mt. Hunger Road at the first opportunity.

About a year later, after my return from a trip to Britain, Jed Lipsky told Stefan Grotz and myself that he intended to buy property on Mt. Hunger Road and offered to resign from the Board. We told him that we would not accept his resignation. My thoughts at the time were that potential conflict of interest could easily be avoided by Jed's abstaining from voting on matters concerning the western part of Mt. Hunger Road and that Jed, a hard worker, was much too valuable a colleague to lose for a reason which was far from compelling.

Early in 1986, the decision was made to include the repair and reconstruction of the Mt. Hunger Road in the Highway Department's work program for the spring and summer of 1986. As already stated above, Jed Lipsky abstained from voting on this matter, so that I bear at least half the responsibility for it. My mind was made up and so, it seemed, was everybody else's. I did not have to persuade anybody.

(Let me indulge here in a personal aside: Some time ago I told Mr. Heller that his tactics reminded me of the late Senator Joseph McCarthy, father of McCarthyism. And that reminded me of McCarthy's diagnosis of President Eisenhower as an unconscious agent of Soviet communism. When I formed my opinions about Mt. Hunger Road years before Mr. Heller called attention to the "Lipsky-Mt. Hunger Road project," could I have been an unconscious agent of Lipsky-Mt. Hungerism? After all, I was an unconscious host of abdominal aortic aneurysm, probably for years. And what about Hellerism and all the other -isms and -ysms I may have been exposed to? I shall spend time on this problem and may ask for help from some News readers.)

— Hans Kessler

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To the Editor:

It is especially interesting and useful for us part-time residents to hear news of town activities that affect the environment: committee and commission meetings (e.g., zoning, conservation, Lake Garfield Association, Lake Buel Association), the Preservation Land Trust, preservation of historical buildings and landmarks, taxes, etc. It must be hard to find people to write up reports on all these activities, but be assured that your efforts are much appreciated. Thanks for your service to our great community.

— Dean Allen

To the Editor:

I miss Virgil Brallier's articles very much!

I lived in Monterey in 1970 and part of 1971 and did a little work on the *News* when it was just beginning. I loved it there and now and then come back to visit friends, as I did last weekend. So far, all the building hasn't spoiled the village. I still recognize a few familiar names when I read the *News*. I was amazed to have Walter Wink step out of the pages of *Sojourners Magazine* in church on Sunday.

— Judy Oplinger

To the Editor:

I await and read your newspaper eagerly every month. It helps to keep the Monterey connection very much alive for me, as do my deep ties to my beloved friends John and Stella Bodnar and my frequent visits to your lovely town.

I have been coming to Monterey to visit John and Stella for as long as they have lived there. With each visit, I grow to love this little town even more and the philosophy and lifestyle that the town and its residents espouse. Although I do not yet physically and in fact reside in Monterey, I have come to regard it as my spiritual home due to the natural beauty here which soothes my soul. Living in a big, noisy city where the land is plundered and the rivers sullied and the trees uprooted and engaging in the extremely emotionally and psychologically and spiritually demanding profession of teaching seem to draw the very life from me at times. Coming here to Monterey refreshes and restores my inner being.

Undoubtedly one can guess that I am very much interested in an Aquarian-Christian-New Age-wholistic lifestyle. Monterey *en toto* supports these ideals in my opinion.

What I zealously ask all of you Monterey residents is to vigilantly preserve as best you can the magnificent natural beauty of the town, the refreshing simplicity of its lifestyle and philosophy, the smallness of this charming town, and, most important of all, the loving, Christian spirit which prevails.

— Jai Bhagwan, Namasté

— MaryLouise B. Cofrancesco

To the Editor:

We lived in Tokyo, Japan, from 1980-1986 and received the *Monterey News* there. We just want to tell you how much our family enjoyed reading every issue while we were there. Now that we are back in the U. S., we are in the midst of building a vacation home on Route 23 and HUPI Road. We look forward to moving into Monterey and contributing to the production of the *Monterey News*.

Keep up the good work!

Regards,
Cynthia Chang

To the Editor:

Users of the Town Beach will be disappointed to learn they cannot take full advantage of beach amenities in spite of paying the \$5.00 sticker fee.

A landowner near Sylvan Road who abuts the Town Beach has claimed 2,500 square feet of the public beach as his own and has sectioned it off with a split-rail fence and some small pricker-bushes. The landowner apparently feels that, based upon his deed, his claim is justified (Southern Berkshire Registry of Deeds: Book 376, page 316).

Contrary to this, an earlier deed from the time when the abutter's property was owned by the late Marguerite E. Phelps indicates this parcel is beyond the abutter's property line (Book 287, Page 331).

Many of the oldtimers tell of going nighttime skinny-dipping off the slippery roof of the old Gatehouse which used to stand on this lot. That was back when Sylvan Road was called Pasture Road and an old wooden gate at its entrance was to be kept closed by summer residents who were passing through to what was then Scott's Cove.

This writer has notified the Selectmen concerning the ownership situation of the lakefront property and hopes they will rectify the matter before the swimming season peaks. Monterey's most fully used public facility is too valuable to be whittled away.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn M. Heller

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PARK COMMISSION PATTER

A REMINDER FOR SWIMMING CLASSES

ESPECIALLY for the Swimmers and Intermediates: It seems that parents or students or both don't feel the importance of continuing with the lessons after Advanced Beginners, sometimes. Only the bare rudiments are achieved with the early classes. Expertise, strength and endurance are built up with the more advanced classes, as well as an interest that will be ongoing, and perhaps lead into taking the Water Safety Courses and having a profession that can come in handy in later life—teaching or lifeguarding. It is so good to have it when the time and lessons are available. We strongly encourage each and every town child or adult to take advantage of the very fine lessons. Safety and first aid are brought into the courses, and a healthy respect of the water is the result. The danger of being on the water is not always appreciated, but accidents can happen, and the results can be tragic.

Classes are scheduled as follows:

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| Lifesaving | July 6-10 and 13-17 | 9:00-11:30 |
| Three and Four Year Olds | July 20-24 | 9:00 |
| Adults | July 20-24 | 9:30 |
| Elementary Classes | August 3-7 and 10-14 | |
| Swimmers | | 9:00- 9:30 |
| Intermediates | | 9:30-10:00 |
| Advanced Beginners | | 10:00-10:30 |
| Beginners | | 10:30-11:00 |

Permission slips are in the three stores—to be returned to the Monterey General Store.

BEACH PASSES are necessary—available at the Town offices.

Beach crew are: Life Guard—Patrick Eline, a sophomore in college and president of the Fire Squad; assisting him on weekends will be Jennie Brown. Beach attendant will again be Bob Gauthier—be sure you bring your pass to identify yourself. And again Marie Moulthrop will be our swimming instructor. We are very pleased to have such an outstanding lineup for you all.

A FEW BOATING RULE REMINDERS!

State Laws:

- Every boat shall carry at least one floatation device for each person aboard.
- No person shall operate any motorboat:
 - under the influence of liquor or drugs;
 - negligently, to endanger the safety of the public;
 - to pull a water skier at night;
 - towing a skier without a spotter *over 12 years of age*;
 - towing a skier without a spotter.
- Motor boats must be operated a *safe distance (150 feet)* from other boats, water skiers, *rafts* and *bathing beaches*!
- A motor boat operator shall not allow anyone to ride *on the deck or gunwales*.
- Rights of way: In meeting head-on, both vessels turn starboard (to their right). Sailing craft have the right of way. Keep to the right in a narrow channel. All boating regulations also apply to jet skis.



MONTEREY PARK COMMISSION — COMMITTEE FOR PUBLIC TENNIS

Re MONTEREY PUBLIC TENNIS: A committee is forming to free tennis from the racquets of the few. (As you may know, there are a number of private courts in town and even a consortium of private individuals banded together in ownership and exclusivity of one court.)

The Monterey Committee for Public Tennis invites the membership and participation of individuals interested in creating a legacy of recreation for the town. Expertise is also needed in finance, fund raising, and court construction.

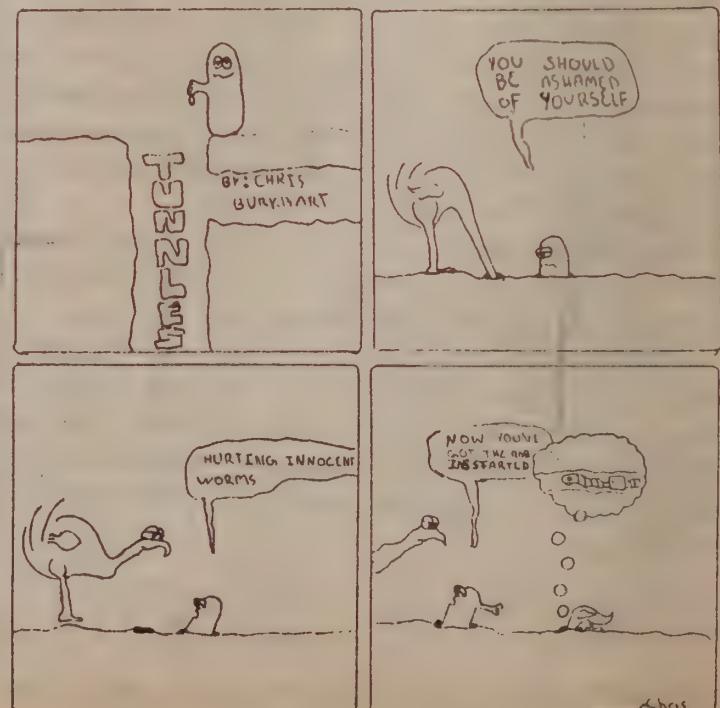
Interested people please call me, Tom Rosenthal, at 528-9380, for further information.

— Tom Rosenthal

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Note: The Conservation Commission will not be meeting in July.

— Bonner J. McAllester





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HELEN MCKAY

Helen McKay, 89, of Route 23, died June 1 at Hillcrest Hospital in Pittsfield after a short illness.

Born in New York City on December 19, 1897, she was the daughter of Henry M. and Amelia Lichtenberg Groehl. She graduated from Vassar College in 1919 and was executive secretary of the New York City Vassar Alumnae Club for many years.

A summer resident of Monterey since 1898, Mrs. McKay became a permanent resident in 1947.

She was first married to Donald M. Davidson and then to William McKay, both of whom are deceased.

She leaves a daughter, Helen McCord, of South Cairo, New York; three sisters, Marion Schneider of Monterey and Letitia McGovern and Evelyn Zabriskie, both of New York City; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

JAMES CRAWFORD PEARSON

On Monday evening, June 15, James Crawford Pearson of Art School Road died at the Great Barrington Healthcare facility.

Jim had been a summer resident of Monterey from 1906, when his father, John Pearson, bought the old Deacon Hale farm. For the past twenty years it had been his permanent residence.

He was a veteran of World War I, a Mason for over fifty years and a member of the Historical Society.

Born in Brooklyn, New York, October 4, 1892, he was the son of John F. and Sarah Seals Pearson. In 1931 he married the former Mary Moses.

Besides his wife, he leaves a son, James C. Pearson Jr., a daughter, Elizabeth Gates, a sister, Letitia Guden, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

ETHEL ZANTAY

Ethel Zantay of Lake Buel Road died June 24 after a long illness. She was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1924 and was active in education: she was president of the Valley Stream, Long Island, board of education and helped establish the North High School and the Willow Road Elementary School, both in Franklin Square, Long Island. With her husband, Zoltan Zantay, she founded Camp Deerwood on Lake Buel in 1959, and she was a past president of the Women's Auxiliary of Fairview Hospital. She leaves her husband of 40 years and two sons.

HAZEL G. HEATH

Hazel G. Heath, 79, of Oak Street, Housatonic, died on June 20. She lived for many years in Monterey until 1952, when she moved to Housatonic, where she made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Abel R. Coutherut. Besides her daughter, she leaves two sons, Ernest F. Heath and Kenneth R. Heath, both of Monterey. Her husband, Harold D. Heath, died in 1973.

GOULD FARM NEWS

After several months of our not being able to sell gasoline and after several weeks of being closed altogether, we are happy that Roadside Store is back in business and gasoline is available to our regular customers. We appreciate your patience, and we are grateful to so many of the Monterey residents who contributed to the fund for restoring our gasoline tanks. Letters will be going out to each of the donors listed below, inviting them to stop by the Store for a complimentary dessert or milkshake:

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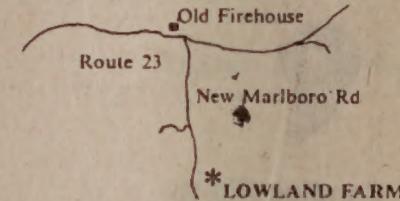
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Saturday, July 18
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 Anson Olds: Folk Guitarist
 The Irish Tradition: Traditional Irish Ballads and Dance Tunes
 Rory Block: Country Blues Guitarist
 Bill Croul: Folk Balladeer
 Mountain Laurel Band: Square and Contra Dancing
 Refreshments: Michele Miller of Hidden Valley Ranch
 Special Event: 4½-mile Knox Trail Road Race 6:30 pm

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Saturday, July 4—Independence Day. Private fireworks and public fireflies over the lake after dark. Great show by boat, not too close to the shore.

Thursday, July 9—Mountain dulcimer classes start six-week sessions at Folk Craft Studios in Winsted. Call Folk Craft at (203) 379-9857 or Dallas Cline at (413) 229-7973.

Saturday, July 11—Square and Contra Dance, New England style, at the Sheffield Grange, Route 7, Sheffield, Mass. 8:30-11:30 p.m. Beginners and children welcome. All dances taught by Joe Baker, caller; music by Mountain Laurel. Refreshments served. Adults \$3.50, children \$1.00 to dance until intermission. Information: (413) 528-9385 or (518) 329-7578.

Friday, July 17—Monterey Arts Festival. Art exhibit at the Firehouse, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Gala opening 7 p.m. at the Firehouse, with music and refreshments.

Saturday, July 18—Monterey Arts Festival. Art exhibit at the Firehouse, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and special musical events and refreshments at Rock Ridge Estate from 10:30 a.m. on. See special notices elsewhere in this issue.

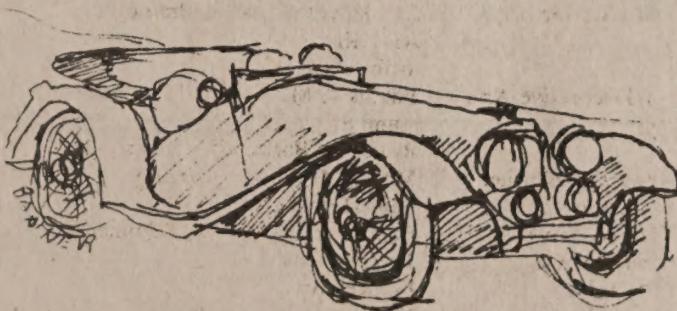
Saturday, July 18—Knox Trail Road Race, starting at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 19—Monterey Arts Festival, art exhibit at the Firehouse, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., with live entertainment as well.

Saturday, July 25—Square and Contra Dance by Mountain Laurel: See July 11, above, for details. This second dance of the month is for people who have done it before.

Saturday, July 25—Monterey Fire Company Tenth Annual Steak Roast, serving steak dinners from 4 to 7 p.m., with music and dancing afterwards. You may buy tickets to the steak roast from Monterey firemen during the month of July or pay at the door for a ticket to the music, dancing and concession stand (hot dogs, hamburgers, beer, wine, soda). In Greene Park, Main Road.

Wednesday, July 29—Community Supper, 6:30 p.m., in the Monterey Church Social Room. Bring a potluck dish and see what your neighbors have brought for you. Besides the highly enjoyable socializing, there is a monthly entertainment.



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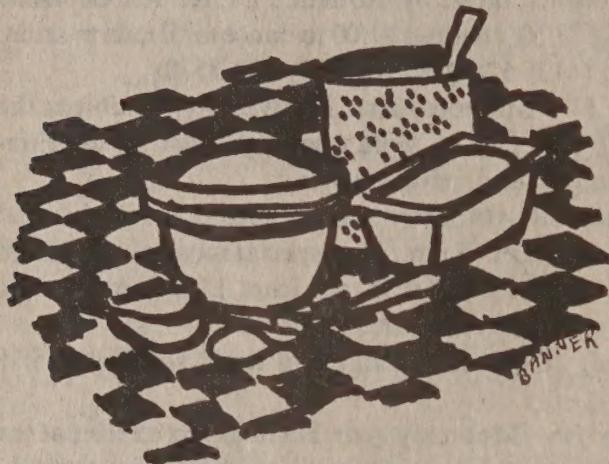
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ARTS COUNCIL NEWS

The invitations for this year's arts festival, A Folk Music Celebration, have gone out. Be sure to get your tickets right away, as this promises to be a popular event, featuring prominent local talent from artists and craftspeople to entertainers, such as Anson Olds, Bill Crofut, Gladys Carbo and Edward Flower, and Michèle Miller's fine foods.

Local artists and craftspeople who wish to participate in the art exhibition and need information regarding the details should contact Michael Marcus, 528-4115; Frank D'Amato, 528-3723; or Leonard Weber, 528-1806.

We would like to remind those people and businesses who are interested in advertising on the new directories to contact Leonard Weber at the above number as soon as possible. We hope to have these directories in place during the summer season. The fees are \$35 for a single-sided sign and \$50 for a double-sided sign. The directories will be of pressure-treated wood and will be tasteful and in keeping with the New England character of our town.

See you at the arts festival.

— Nicky Hearon

Editor
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Art Editor
Personal Notes Editor
Typesetter
Reporters

Layout and design
Pasteup
Sorting
Mailing labels

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